

Alexander, Kerry

From: Wood, Darleen
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2019 10:30 AM
To: Alexander, Kerry
Subject: Re: Avian Botulism

BOH
8-7-19

It might be something they want to discuss although I am guessing this will pass within another week or so.

I just wanted to make sure you guys were in the loop

From: Alexander, Kerry
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2019 10:23 AM
To: Wood, Darleen
Subject: RE: Avian Botulism

Darleen
Do you want this email and the one from the State on the BOH agenda?
Kerry

From: Wood, Darleen
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2019 10:15 AM
To: Alexander, Kerry
Cc: Potter, Everett; Wilson, Courtney
Subject: Avian Botulism

Good Morning Kerry

Just a heads up; we have a large number of mallard ducks that appear to be infected with Avian Botulism.

Bill found some ducks on Monday that appeared to be infected (DOA). In the past few days we have had large amounts that have been located along the river. Most of the ducks were dead. The ones that were not, Bill had euthanized.

Bill did organize for the carcasses that could be reached to be picked up and disposed of, however, there are some areas that we cannot reach.

We did contact Mass Wildlife just as a precautionary measure. I will forward you there email.

Below is a few links if you would like more information.

The Local Veterinarians have been contacted as a precaution

Thank you

Best,
Darleen

agriculture.vic.gov.au/agriculture/pests-diseases-and-weeds/animal.../avian-botulism

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Great Thank you

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Thank you. I've cc'd it to Brendan Flynn and Colleen DaSilva in case we get calls.

From: Wood, Darleen
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2019 10:18 AM
To: Alexander, Kerry
Subject: Fw: Botulism,

FYI

From: Heusmann, H (FWE) <h.heusmann@state.ma.us>
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Wood, Darleen
Subject: Botulism,

Avian botulism is common this time of year and not much can be done about it other than gather the carcasses and dispose of them so as not to further contaminate the area as flies lay eggs, maggot hatch, pick up the bacteria, and then ducks eat the maggots and the cycle repeats.

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From: Wood, Darleen
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I did not send anything to Shawn or the nurses.

Chances are people and pets would not be near the carcasses since they are along the river and not easily accessible

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Hi Darleen

Did you let Shawn Machado know? He's the Sr. Sanitary Code Inspector for the City. Is there any public health risk we would need to let the PH Nurses know about?

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<http://www.qma.vic.gov.au/education/fact-sheets/avian-botulism>